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**Sixtieth session**

**Summary record (partial)* of the 1304th meeting****
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*Chairperson*: Ms. Bailey (Vice-Chairperson)

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*The discussion covered in the summary record began at 4.40 p.m.*

**Adoption of the report of the Committee on its sixtieth session** (CEDAW/C/AZE/CO/5; CEDAW/C/DNK/CO/8; CEDAW/C/ECU/CO/8-9; CEDAW/C/ERI/CO/5; CEDAW/C/GAB/CO/6; CEDAW/C/KGZ/CO/4; CEDAW/C/MDV/CO/4-5; CEDAW/C/TUV/CO/3-4 and CEDAW/C/2015/I/CRP.1)

1. **Ms. Schulz** introduced the Committee's draft report, which was contained in document CEDAW/C/2015/I/CRP.1. She drew attention to chapter IV of the draft report concerning the draft concluding observations on the eight State party reports that the Committee had considered during its sixtieth session, which were contained in documents CEDAW/C/AZE/CO/5; CEDAW/C/DNK/CO/8; CEDAW/C/ECU/CO/8-9; CEDAW/C/ERI/CO/5; CEDAW/C/GAB/CO/6; CEDAW/C/KGZ/CO/4; CEDAW/C/MDV/CO/4-5 and CEDAW/C/TUV/CO/3-4.

2. **The Chairperson** said that she took it that the Committee wished to adopt the documents containing the draft concluding observations.

3. *It was so decided.*

4. **Ms. Schulz** introduced the draft report of the Working Group of the Whole, contained in chapters VI and VII of the draft report. She introduced the provisional agenda for the sixty-first session, contained in the draft report.

5. *The provisional agenda for the sixty-first session was adopted.*

6. *The draft report of the Committee on its sixtieth session was adopted as a whole, subject to finalization by the Rapporteur.*

**Statement by the Chairperson**

7. **The Chairperson** said that the Committee had considered eight State party reports during the session. It had held informal meetings with NGOs and national human rights institutions and attended several lunchtime briefings organized by NGOs, which had made significant contributions to the Committee's work.

8. Thanks were due to the United Nations entities and other bodies that had provided detailed information, including the inter-agency group on reporting that had coordinated the submission of information by United Nations country teams to the Committee, and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women), which was continuing to work closely with the Committee through its new representative in Geneva. The Committee had met with the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, whose support for the Committee's quest to promote and protect women's equal rights had been encouraging.

9. The Committee had made satisfactory progress with the implementation of General Assembly resolution 68/268 on strengthening and enhancing the effective functioning of the human rights treaty body system, in particular through its decisions on the guidance note for States parties, the framework for concluding observations and allegations of reprisals. The Committee had identified five States parties to which it would apply the simplified reporting procedure on a pilot basis at their specific request.

10. One of the major achievements of the session had been completing the first reading of general recommendation No. 33 on women's access to justice, which it was hoped would be adopted at the Committee's next session. The Committee had adopted three decisions on individual communications with the help of preparatory work by the interim Working Group on Communications, which had been reconstituted at the session, and had also decided to publish its report on inquiry No. 2010/1 and a summary of inquiry No. 2011/1.

**Closure of the session**

11. Following an exchange of courtesies, **the Chairperson** declared the sixtieth session closed.

*The meeting rose at 4.50 p.m.*